

Problema săptămânii 378

a) Numerele reale pozitive a, b, c satisfac $abc = 1$. Arătați că

$$\frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+ca}{1+c} \geq 3.$$

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b) Numerele reale pozitive a, b, c, d satisfac $abcd = 1$. Arătați că

$$\frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+cd}{1+c} + \frac{1+da}{1+d} \geq 4.$$

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Soluție:

a) Din inegalitatea mediilor avem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+ca}{1+c} &\geq 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{1+ab}{1+a} \cdot \frac{1+bc}{1+b} \cdot \frac{1+ca}{1+c}} = \\ 3\sqrt[3]{abc \cdot \frac{1+ab}{1+a} \cdot \frac{1+bc}{1+b} \cdot \frac{1+ca}{1+c}} &= 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{c(1+ab)}{1+a} \cdot \frac{a(1+bc)}{1+b} \cdot \frac{b(1+ca)}{1+c}} = \\ 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{c+1}{1+a} \cdot \frac{a+1}{1+b} \cdot \frac{b+1}{1+c}} &= 3, \end{aligned}$$

cu egalitate dacă $\frac{1+ab}{1+a} = \frac{1+bc}{1+b} = \frac{1+ca}{1+c} = 1$, adică pentru $a = b = c = 1$.

b) Avem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+cd}{1+c} + \frac{1+da}{1+d} &= \\ \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{ab(1+cd)}{ab(1+c)} + \frac{bc(1+da)}{bc(1+d)} &= \\ \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{ab+1}{ab+abc} + \frac{bc+1}{bc+bcd} &= \\ (1+ab) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1+a} + \frac{1}{ab+abc} \right) + (1+bc) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{1}{bc+bcd} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Din inegalitatea Cauchy-Buniakowsky-Schwarz (forma Titu Andreescu) avem

$$\frac{1}{1+a} + \frac{1}{ab+abc} \geq \frac{4}{1+a+ab+abc}$$

și

$$\frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{1}{bc+bcd} \geq \frac{4}{1+b+bc+bcd}.$$

Atunci

$$\frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+cd}{1+c} + \frac{1+da}{1+d} \geq \frac{4(1+ab)}{1+a+ab+abc} + \frac{4(1+bc)}{1+b+bc+bcd} =$$

$$\frac{4(1+ab)}{1+a+ab+abc} + \frac{4a(1+bc)}{a(1+b+bc+bcd)} = \frac{4(1+ab)}{1+a+ab+abc} + \frac{4(a+abc)}{a+ab+abc+1} = \frac{4(1+ab+a+abc)}{1+a+ab+abc} = 4.$$

Egalitatea are loc atunci când $abcd = 1$ și avem egalitate în fiecare din cele două CBS-uri, adică $1+a = ab(1+c)$ și $1+b = bc(1+d)$. Trebuie, deci, ca $a(1-bc) = ab-1$ și $1-bc = b(cd-1)$, adică $ab-1 = a(1-bc) = ab(cd-1) = 1-ab$. Deducem că egalitatea are loc pentru $ab = bc = cd = da = 1$, deci $a = c = A > 0$ și $b = d = \frac{1}{A}$.

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Problem of the week no. 378

a) Positive real numbers a, b, c satisfy $abc = 1$. Prove that

$$\frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+ca}{1+c} \geq 3.$$

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b) Positive real numbers a, b, c, d satisfy $abcd = 1$. Prove that

$$\frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+cd}{1+c} + \frac{1+da}{1+d} \geq 4.$$

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Solution:

a) From the AM-GM inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+ca}{1+c} &\geq 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{1+ab}{1+a} \cdot \frac{1+bc}{1+b} \cdot \frac{1+ca}{1+c}} = \\ 3\sqrt[3]{abc \cdot \frac{1+ab}{1+a} \cdot \frac{1+bc}{1+b} \cdot \frac{1+ca}{1+c}} &= 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{c(1+ab)}{1+a} \cdot \frac{a(1+bc)}{1+b} \cdot \frac{b(1+ca)}{1+c}} = \\ 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{c+1}{1+a} \cdot \frac{a+1}{1+b} \cdot \frac{b+1}{1+c}} &= 3, \end{aligned}$$

with equality holding when $\frac{1+ab}{1+a} = \frac{1+bc}{1+b} = \frac{1+ca}{1+c} = 1$, i.e. for $a = b = c = 1$.

b) We have

$$\frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+cd}{1+c} + \frac{1+da}{1+d} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{ab(1+cd)}{ab(1+c)} + \frac{bc(1+da)}{bc(1+d)} = \\
& \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{ab+1}{ab+abc} + \frac{bc+1}{bc+bcd} = \\
& (1+ab) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1+a} + \frac{1}{ab+abc} \right) + (1+bc) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{1}{bc+bcd} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

From Titu's Lemma we have

$$\frac{1}{1+a} + \frac{1}{ab+abc} \geq \frac{4}{1+a+ab+abc}$$

și

$$\frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{1}{bc+bcd} \geq \frac{4}{1+b+bc+bcd}.$$

Atunci

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1+ab}{1+a} + \frac{1+bc}{1+b} + \frac{1+cd}{1+c} + \frac{1+da}{1+d} \geq \frac{4(1+ab)}{1+a+ab+abc} + \frac{4(1+bc)}{1+b+bc+bcd} = \\
& \frac{4(1+ab)}{1+a+ab+abc} + \frac{4a(1+bc)}{a(1+b+bc+bcd)} = \frac{4(1+ab)}{1+a+ab+abc} + \frac{4(a+abc)}{a+ab+abc+1} = \\
& \frac{4(1+ab+a+abc)}{1+a+ab+abc} = 4.
\end{aligned}$$

Equality holds when $abcd = 1$ and we have equality both times we applied Titu's Lemma, i.e. $1+a = ab(1+c)$ și $1+b = bc(1+d)$. We thus need $a(1-bc) = ab-1$ and $1-bc = b(cd-1)$, i.e. $ab-1 = a(1-bc) = ab(cd-1) = 1-ab$. It follows that equality holds when $ab = bc = cd = da = 1$, i.e. $a = c = A > 0$ and $b = d = \frac{1}{A}$.